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APPLICANT : Bernd SCHWENZER  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.